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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: OECD, ECON  
SUBJECT: EPC WORKING PARTY 2: REQUEST FOR DATA

1. SECRETARIAT HAS REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN COMPLETING THEIR SERIES ON "EMPLOYMENT BY KIND OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITY" REQUIRED FOR THE REVISED GROWTH SCENARIO NOW IN PREPARATION. A BRIEF EXCERPT FROM THE SECRETARIAT'S REQUEST IS REPEATED BELOW AND COPIES OF THE LETTER AND TABLES HAVE BEEN POUCHED AND AIRMAILED TO EUR/RPE. REQUEST WASHINGTON AGENCIES EXPEDITE REPLY.

2. POUILLIER LETTER AS MODIFIED: BEGIN TEXT

FOR THE UNITED STATES, SECRETARIAT HAS A PROBLEM RELATED TO EMPLOYMENT BY KIND OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITY. THE DATA TRANSMITTED BY BLS TO OECD FOR ITS LABOUR FORCE YEAR BOOK ARE NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE DATA PUBLISHED BY BEA WHICH ARE ALSO COMMUNICATED FROM 1971 ONWARDS TO OECD AS PART OF THE NATIONAL ACCOUNTS QUESTIONNAIRE TABLE NO. 18. THE UNCLASSIFIED

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DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN THE TWO SERIES IS QUITE LARGE (ABOUT 5 MILLION PEOPLE FOR TOTAL EMPLOYMENT). THE ADVANTAGE OF THE BEA SERIES IS THAT IT IS CONSISTENT WITH VALUE ADDED INVESTMENT AND INCOME BY KIND OF ACTIVITY BREAKDOWN. SECRETARIAT WAS ABLE TO RECONSTRUCT FROM PUBLISHED MATERIAL IN THE SUPPLEMENT TO THE SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS THE COLUMNS 'EMPLOYEES AND MAN-HOURS WORKED BY

EMPLOYEES' FOR THE YEARS 1960 THROUGH 1970, BUT NOT THE COLUMN 'ALL PERSONS.'

3. COULD BEA SUPPLY SECRETARIAT WITH THE MISSING INFORMATION AS FAST AS POSSIBLE, BECAUSE IN THE MEANTIME WE ARE USING SOME SERIES THAT ARE NOT CONSISTENT WITH ONE ANOTHER.

4. SECRETARIAT IS SUPPLYING PHOTOCOPIES OF TABLE 18 OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE IN CASE IT IS POSSIBLE TO FILL IT IN IN FULL SO THAT IT WOULD BE ENTERED INTO THE DATA FILES OF THE STATISTICS SERVICE, AS WELL AS A PHOTOCOPY OF THE FEW LINES FOR WHICH SECRETARIAT REQUIRES THE DATA IN THE GROWTH SCENARIO SINCE, IF THERE WAS NOT TIME ENOUGH IN WASHINGTON TO FILL THE WHOLE TABLE, SECRETARIAT WOULD BE HAPPY WITH THE NUMBERS NOW MISSING IN ITS WORK-SHEET.  
END TEXT  
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